



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brown called the **REGULAR MEETING** of the City Council of the City of La Cañada Flintridge to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Stephen A. Del Guercio, Laura Olhasso, Anthony J. Portantino, Mayor Pro Tem David A. Spence, and Mayor Gregory C. Brown

Staff members present: City Manager Alexander, City Attorney Steres, Director of Public Works Castellanos, City Engineer Kwan, Senior Planner Buss, Public Safety Coordinator Stegner, and City Clerk Sessman

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Deputy Sheriff Deacon.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Marianne Freeze, a resident of La Cañada Flintridge, expressed her support for agenda item #7 which will re-establish time limit parking restrictions on Alminar Avenue between Baptiste Way and Daleridge Road.

Pat Anderson, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, announced that the Annual Memorial Day festivities were a great success and very well attended. She announced that the Chamber of Commerce has accumulated a number of lost personal belongings. They can be claimed by contacting the Chamber of Commerce at (818) 790-4289.

PRESENTATIONS

The Public Safety Update for the Sheriff's Department was presented by Captain Peters.

The staff updates on City Projects were presented by Director Castellanos and Public Safety Coordinator Stegner. Updates on the following projects were given: Foothill Keystone Wall Storm Damage Repair Project, Michigan Hill Foothill Boulevard Safe Routes to School Project, Old Town Medium Project, Earlmont Drive Storm Damage Slope Repair Project, Speed Awareness Sign on Angeles Crest Highway Project, Inverness Slope Restoration Project, and Volunteer Safety Program at La Cañada Elementary School.

REORDERING OF AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mayor Brown requested the reordering of the Agenda so that Agenda Item No.12 would be discussed in advance.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Brown requested that agenda item #1 be pulled from the consent calendar. There were no objections.

1. Reject the claim for damages filed by Patricia Kim and direct staff to send the appropriate notice of rejection to claimant.

Motion by Councilmember Olhasso, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Spence, to approve the following Consent Calendar items with the requested change to agenda item #2:

2. Approval of Warrant Resolution No. 06-10 dated June 5, 2006, for \$2,099,572.30.

Councilmember Olhasso requested the following correction to the warrant register, page 2, line item 65, Apply Turface-LCHS Varsity infield to prevent field from becoming ~~unpalatable~~ **unplayable** during rain.

3. Receive and file Commission Meeting Agendas:
 - (a) Public Works and Traffic Commission Action Agenda from the May 17, 2006 Meeting.
 - (b) Design Commission Action Agenda from the May 18, 2006 and May 25, 2006 Meetings.
 - (c) Planning Commission Action Agenda from the May 23, 2006 Meeting.
 - (d) Public Safety Commission Agenda from the May 24, 2006 Meeting.
 - (e) Youth Council Agenda from the May 31, 2006 Meeting.
4. Approve the project and award Cash Contract 05/06-8 to Vart Construction in the amount of \$44,300.00 for the 2006 Miscellaneous Concrete Repair project and include \$5,700.00 for contingencies for a total project cost of \$50,000.00.
5. Approval of Agreement with the Pasadena Humane Society for Animal Control Services for FY 2006-07 and authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement.
6. Consideration of a RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE ORDERING THE SUMMARY VACATION OF SEWER EASEMENTS IN TRACT 12948 AND MAKING FINDINGS OF FACT

In response to an inquiry by Councilmember Del Guercio, Director Castellanos confirmed that the city will not need this sewer easement in the future.

7. Consideration of a RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE AUTHORIZING PERMIT PARKING ON ALL CITY STREETS IN RESIDENTIALLY ZONED AREAS DESIGNATED WITH TIME-LIMIT PARKING RESTRICTIONS
8. Approval of Supplement Agreement No. 06-1 amending the Term Language of the Master Joint Use Agreement

9. Approval of Amendment (#5) to Contract with Parsons to perform additional work on the Noise Barrier Scope Summary Report in response to comments from Caltrans in the amount Not-to-Exceed \$30,000.00; authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment; and approval of a Budget Amendment.
10. Authorize the City Manager to sign the Report of Waste Discharge Documents, as required by the Regional Water Quality Control Board under the new National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

11. Appeal of Planning Commission Approval of Hillside Development Permit 04-05; 4430 Rosebank Drive (Appellant: Conservadores De Las Colinas/Duane E. Waters, President) **(Continued from May 15, 2006 City Council Meeting)**

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Conclude the public hearing, discuss the issues, and take action to deny the appeal and uphold the Planning Commission's determination with the amendment for the conditions relative to the trail and landscaping.

The staff report was presented by Senior Planner Buss.

Martin Burton, appellant's attorney, announced that the Conservadores and the Bilavers have been working diligently, and in good faith, with one another and are close to an amicable compromise. He stated that the appellant is requesting that this item be continued to June 19, 2006 so that a consensus can be reached or, alternatively, that the City Council take action tonight and impose conditions on the project that state before permits can be pulled for this project, the applicant and appellant reach an agreement on the following three issues: location of the trail that will connect to the proposed YMCA trail, the lawn area and the issue of irrigation, and the mass of the stairway entry.

Kurt Bednar, representative for the Bilaver's, concurred with comments made by Mr. Burton and expressed the Bilaver's desire to move forward.

In response to an inquiry by Mayor Brown, Mr. Bednar explained that there is a lot of work to be done to bring this project to fruition. He expressed his preference to have the issue addressed tonight through the imposition of conditions.

Mayor Brown stated that he was uncomfortable with a condition that delegates to others outside of the City an approval process that the applicant and appellant agree upon. Mayor Brown suggested that the remaining issues can be worked through tonight.

Councilmember Portantino expressed his preference to have the parties take the next two weeks to finalize their deal.

Councilmember Olhasso expressed her support for comments made by Councilmember Portantino and stated that this would allow the City Council to see the final elevation, landscaping plan and location of the trail.

Councilmember Olhasso stated that she does not have a problem adding a condition so that the landscape plan is at the approval of the Director of Community Development, but expressed her reservation with approving elevations and placement of an easement without seeing the final design.

Mayor Brown stated that he would not support any further continuance unless both parties agree, if both parties do not agree, he expressed his support for moving forward and making a decision tonight.

Councilmember Del Guercio suggested that the City Council give both parties a little time to see if they can agree before deciding to continue this matter to the next City Council meeting.

At 8:06 p.m., Mayor Brown suspended discussion of agenda item #11 and the applicants and appellants left the City Council Chambers. At 8:16 p.m., the applicants and appellants re-entered the City Council Chambers. Mayor Brown reconvened the public hearing of agenda item #11.

Mr. Bednar announced that both parties are amenable to continue this discussion to the June 19, 2006 City Council meeting.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Spence, seconded by Councilmember Olhasso, to continue this discussion to the June 19, 2006 City Council meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

13. Appointments to fill Scheduled Vacancies on the Youth Council

City Clerk Sessman distributed ballots to each Councilmember. The ballots were returned to City Clerk Sessman and recorded as follows:

For Youth Council (first ballot):

Councilmember Del Guercio:	Alain Khatchatourian, Liah Zirler and Julie Moldafshy
Councilmember Olhasso:	Alain Khatchatourian, Liah Zirler and Julie Moldafshy
Councilmember Portantino:	Alain Khatchatourian, Liah Zirler and Julie Moldafshy
Mayor Pro Tem Spence:	Alain Khatchatourian, Liah Zirler and Julie Moldafshy
Mayor Brown:	Alain Khatchatourian, Liah Zirler and Julie Moldafshy

Alain Khatchatourian, Liah Zirler and Julie Moldafshy were appointed to the Youth Council.

14. Award of Cash Contract 05/06-7 to Remedial Civil Constructors Inc. dba RCC for the Inverness Drive Slope and Roadway Reconstruction between St. Katherine Drive and Normandy Drive.

The staff report was presented by Public Works Director Castellanos.

In response to an inquiry by Mayor Pro Tem Spence, Director Castellanos stated that the City of Pasadena has bought off on or accepted the plans for the restoration of their sewer line and that the work performed will be compatible with any new system the City installs on Inverness Drive.

Councilmember Olhasso stated that as frustrating as this process has been to go through, especially for the residents; it is very beneficial for the City to be getting 1.1 million dollars repaid by the government because the City went through the required process.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Spence, seconded by Councilmember Olhasso, to approve the project and award Cash Contract 05/06-7 to Remedial Civil Constructors Inc. dba RCC in the amount of \$874,202 for the Inverness Drive Slope and Roadway Reconstruction between St. Katherine Drive and Normandy Drive and include \$225,798 for contingencies, construction support, materials testing, and inspection for a total project cost of \$1,100,000. The motion carried unanimously.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Councilmembers' report on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency – None

Councilmembers' reports regarding regional and local representation

Councilmember Del Guercio announced that he and Mayor Pro Tem Spence attended a luncheon today and met with the John Bar, Executive Director of the CTC, discussed bonds and proposed transportation projects. He explained that he had suggested that the CTC focus on funding projects that are project ready and non-controversial, but stated that when the time comes, our city is open to discuss the type of things that could be done with projects that impact our community.

Councilmembers' request for future agenda items

Mayor Pro Tem Spence stated we have hired a lobbyist for Sacramento and expressed his desire to look at retaining a lobbyist from Washington to represent La Cañada Flintridge interests at the federal level. He requested that this matter be brought back for discussion at a future City Council meeting.

Councilmember Del Guercio commented that with the expectation that the NBSSR report will be final in the next couple of weeks, now is the time, with the report in hand, to start talking about where we are going to get the funding.

Councilmember Portantino suggested inviting someone from Congressman Dreier's office to attend that meeting, since he is the City's point person on any federal funding. Councilmember Del Guercio expressed his preference to discuss it before inviting anyone to participate.

City Manager Alexander asked whether the City Council wanted to conduct a site visit of the Kudrave Project. City Manager will coordinate a date with Mr. Kudrave and get back to the City Council.

Councilmembers' comments

Mayor Brown stated that due to the La Cañada Properties project and schedule, an August 7, 2006 City Council meeting will be required. He recommended that the July 3, 2006 City Council meeting be cancelled. There were no objections.

Mayor Brown offered his thanks to the La Cañada Flintridge Chamber of Commerce for a fantastic Fiesta Days celebration.

Mayor Brown announced that tomorrow, June 6, 2006 is Election Day and encouraged residents to vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Spence thanked all of the businesses that participated in and supported this year's Fiesta Days celebration.

City Manager and/or staff comments – None

City Manager Alexander announced that the City's homepage, www.lacanadaflintridge.com, under "Current News and Events," contains a link entitled **WHERE TO VOTE** to assist residents needing to find their polling place.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Kathleen R. Sessman
City Clerk

Minutes Approved by the City Council on July 17, 2006.